

REMARKS

Claims 1-54 are pending in the application, which is subject to a Restriction/Election Requirement.

Restriction Requirement:

This application is subject to a Restriction/Election Requirement in which the Office Action sets forth and requires an election of an invention chosen from the following patentably distinct inventions:

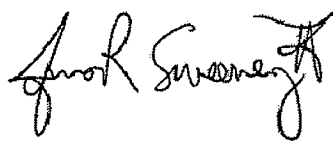
Group I, claims 1-38 and 47-54; and

Group II, claims 39-46.

Applicant now elects the invention of Group I, claims 1-38 and 47-54, for examination. Claims 39-46 are now withdrawn without prejudice to submit their subject matter in this (for example in the event one or more claims are found to be generic) or subsequent applications.

The Examiner is cordially invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to discuss any unresolved matters.

Respectfully submitted,



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